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The House met at 10 a.m.

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Lord God without beginning or end, before whom we are all to appear to be judged, be merciful to Your servants today.

As our Nation approaches Memorial Day, fill the hearts of Americans with gratitude for all of those who gave their lives in defense of freedom and to protect this Nation. May our memory of the distant past and more recent events encourage the men and women in military service now.

To memorialize is to bring to consciousness again the names and faces of those who have gone, but are not forgotten, because of their noble lives and ultimate sacrifice. This year we include in our prayer all of those who died in the attacks of September 11 and especially those who, since then, have shed life's blood in the fight against terrorism.

Strengthen with Your loving compassion all of the families still traumatized by their loss. Renew this Nation in an intelligent patriotism which unfurls new dimensions of equal justice and hope for the poor as we wave the flag of freedom before the world, now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from California (Mr. SCHIFF) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. SCHIFF led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Monahan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed without amendment bills of the House of the following titles:

H.R. 4592. An act to name the chapel located in the national cemetery in Los Angeles, California, as the "Bob Hope Veterans Chapel".

H.R. 4608. An act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical and Regional Office Center in Wichita, Kansas, as the "Robert J. Dole Department of Veterans Affairs Medical and Regional Office Center".

H.R. 4782. An act to extend the authority of the Export-Import Bank until June 14, 2002.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed with amendments in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 327. An act to amend chapter 35 of title 44, United States Code, for the purpose of facilitating compliance by small businesses with certain Federal paperwork requirements and to establish a task force to examine the feasibility of streamlining paperwork requirements applicable to small businesses.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1644. An act to further the protection and recognition of veterans' memorials, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 103-227, the Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, reappoints the following individuals to the National Skill Standards Board:

Upon the recommendation of the Republican Leader—

Earline N. Ashley, of Mississippi, Representative of Human Resources;

Ronald K. Robinson, of Mississippi, Representative of Labor.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain 1 minutes at the end of business today.

2002 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT FOR FURTHER RECOVERY FROM AND RESPONSE TO TERRORIST ATTACKS ON THE UNITED STATES

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to House Resolution 428 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 4775.

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IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 4775) making supplemental appropriations for further recovery from and response to terrorist attacks on the United States for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes, with Mr. THORNBERRY in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN. When the Committee of the Whole rose on Wednesday, May 22, 2002, the bill had been read through page 5, line 5.

The Clerk will read.

MOTION TO RISE OFFERED BY MR. OBEY

Mr. OBEY. Mr. Chairman, I move the Committee do now rise.

The CHAIRMAN. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. OBEY).

The question was taken; and the Chairman announced that the yeas appeared to have it.

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